

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for exchanging information with a process using a window display port, the method comprising:

presenting information related to a first process in a window that is resizable within a presentation space of a monitor;

selecting a second process;

opening a display port in a portion of the window;

presenting information related to the second process in the display port; and

linking the display port to the window within the presentation space of the monitor while presenting the information related to the second process in the display port.

wherein the first and second processes are separate processes.

2. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, comprising:

associating an input focus with the window, wherein the first process can receive information from a user interface; and

associating the input focus with the display port, wherein the second process can receive information from the user interface.

3. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 2, comprising:

associating the input focus with only one of the window and the display port at a time.

4. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 3, comprising:

switching the input focus between the window and the display port.

5. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 3, comprising:

switching the input focus to the display port when opening the display port in the portion of the window.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, comprising:

swapping the information presented in the display port related to the second process with the information presented in the window related to the first process
such that when swapping occurs, the information related to the first process are presented in the display port and the information related to the second process are presented in the window.

7. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 6, comprising:

associating an input focus with the window when swapping the information presented in the display port with the information presented in the window, wherein the second process can receive information from a user interface.

8. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, comprising:
hiding the presenting of information related to the second process and the
display port while maintaining an execution of the second process.

9. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 8, wherein the hiding occurs when
hiding the presenting of information related to the first process and the window while
maintaining an execution of the first process.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, comprising:
closing the display port; and
halting an execution of the second process when the display port is closed.

11. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, comprising:
closing the display port while maintaining an execution of the second process
when closing the window and halting an execution of the first process;
opening a second window that is resizable within the presentation space of
the monitor; and
presenting information related to the second process in the second window.

12. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, comprising:
adding the second process to a list of selected processes; and
including the list of selected processes as selectable entries in a drop-down
menu associated with the window.

13. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the selecting comprises:
browsing a repository of available processes including the second process.

14. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the linking comprises:
resizing the display port an amount proportional to an amount the window
changes when the window is resized.

15. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the linking comprises:
maintaining a relative positioning of the display port within the window when
repositioning the window within the presentation space of the monitor.

16. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein the first and second
processes are associated with respective application programs.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A system for exchanging information with a
process using a window display port, the system comprising:
a monitor having a presentation space; and
a processor operatively coupled to the monitor, the processor including:
logic configured to present information related to a first process in a
window that is resizable within a presentation space of a monitor;
logic configured to select a second process;
logic configured to open a display port in a portion of the window;
logic configured to present information related to the second process in
the display port; and

logic configured to link the display port to the window within the presentation space of the monitor while presenting the information related to the second process in the display port,
wherein the first and second processes are separate processes.

18. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, comprising:

a user interface operatively coupled to the processor;

wherein the processor includes:

logic configured to associate an input focus with the window, wherein the first process can receive information from the user interface; and

logic configured to associate the input focus with the display port,
wherein the second process can receive information from the user interface.

19. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 18, wherein the processor comprises:

logic configured to associate the input focus with only one of the window and the display port at a time.

20. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 19, wherein the processor comprises:

logic configured to switch the input focus between the window and the display port.

21. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 19, wherein the processor comprises:

logic configured to switch the input focus to the display port when opening the display port in the portion of the window.

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The system of claim 17, wherein the processor comprises:

logic configured to swap the information presented in the display port related to the second process with the information presented in the window related to the first process such that when swapping occurs, the information related to the first process are presented in the display port and the information related to the second process are presented in the window.

23. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 22, wherein the processor comprises:

logic configured to associate an input focus with the window when swapping the information presented in the display port with the information presented in the window, wherein the second process can receive information from a user interface.

24. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 23, wherein the logic configured to swap the information is responsive to an output of a pointing device included in the user interface.

25. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, wherein the processor comprises:
logic configured to hide the presenting of information related to the second process and the display port while maintaining an execution of the second process.

26. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 25, wherein the logic configured to hide is responsive to an activation of a control button associated with the window.

27. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 25, wherein the logic configured to hide is responsive to a hiding of the presenting of information related to the first process and the window while maintaining an execution of the first process.

28. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The system of claim 17, wherein the processor comprises:

logic configured to close the display port; and
logic configured to halt an execution of the second process when the display port is closed.

29. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 28, wherein the logic configured to close the display port is responsive to a combined output of a keyboard and a pointing device included in a user interface.

30. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, wherein the processor comprises:
logic configured to close the display port while maintaining an execution of the second process;
logic configured to open a second window that is resizable within the presentation space of the monitor; and
logic configured to present information related to the second process in the second window.

31. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 30, wherein the logic configured to close the display port is responsive to a closing of the window and a halting of an execution of the first process.

32. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, wherein the processor comprises:
logic configured to add the second process to a list of selected processes;
and
logic configured to include the list of selected processes as selectable entries in a drop-down menu associated with the window.

33. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 32, wherein the logic configured to select comprises:
logic configured to browse a repository of available processes including the second process.

34. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 33, wherein the logic configured to browse is responsive to a selection of an entry in the drop-down menu.

35. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, wherein the logic configured to link comprises:
logic configured to resize the display port an amount proportional to an amount the window changes when the window is resized.

36. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, wherein the logic configured to link comprises:

logic configured to maintain a relative positioning of the display port within the window when repositioning the window within the presentation space of the monitor.

37. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 17, wherein the first and second processes are associated with respective application programs that can be executed using the processor.

38. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer readable medium containing in which a computer program for exchanging information with a process using a window display port is stored, wherein the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

presenting information related to a first process in a window that is resizable within a presentation space of a monitor;

selecting a second process;

opening a display port in a portion of the window;

presenting information related to the second process in the display port; and

linking the display port to the window within the presentation space of the monitor while presenting the information related to the second process in the display port,

wherein the first and second processes are separate processes.

39. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium claim 38, wherein the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

associating an input focus with the window, wherein the first process can receive information from a user interface; and

associating the input focus with the display port, wherein the second process can receive information from the user interface.

40. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium claim 38, wherein the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

swapping the information presented in the display port related to the second process with the information presented in the window related to the first process
such that when swapping occurs, the information related to the first process are presented in the display port and the information related to the second process are presented in the window.

41. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium claim 40, wherein the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

associating an input focus with the window when swapping the information presented in the display port with the information presented in the window, wherein the second process can receive information from a user interface.

42. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium claim 38, wherein the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

hiding the presenting of information related to the second process and the display port while maintaining an execution of the second process.

43. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium claim 38, wherein the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

adding the second process to a list of selected processes; and
including the list of selected processes as selectable entries in a drop-down menu associated with the window.

44. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium claim 38, wherein in linking, the computer program comprises executable instructions for:

maintaining a relative positioning of the display port within the window when repositioning the window within the presentation space of the monitor.

45. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A system for exchanging information with a process using a window display port, the system comprising:

a monitor having a presentation space;
means for presenting information related to a first process in a window that is resizable within the presentation space of the monitor;
means for selecting a second process;
means for opening a display port in a portion of the window;

means for presenting information related to the second process in the display port; and

means for linking the display port to the window within the presentation space of the monitor while presenting the information related to the second process in the display port,

wherein the first and second processes are separate processes.

46. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 45, comprising:

means for associating an input focus with the window, wherein the first process can receive information from a user interface; and

means for associating the input focus with the display port, wherein the second process can receive information from the user interface.

47. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The system of claim 45, comprising:

means for swapping the information presented in the display port related to the second process with the information presented in the window related to the first process such that when swapping occurs, the information related to the first process are presented in the display port and the information related to the second process are presented in the window.

48. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 47, comprising:

means for associating an input focus with the window when swapping the information presented in the display port with the information presented in the window, wherein the second process can receive information from a user interface.

49. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 45, comprising:
means for hiding the presenting of information related to the second process
and the display port while maintaining an execution of the second process.

50. (ORIGINAL) The system of claim 45, comprising:
means for maintaining a relative positioning of the display port within the
window when repositioning the window within the presentation space of the monitor.

51. (NEW) The method of claim 13, wherein the browsing comprises:
including a browse option as a menu item of the window; and
opening a dialog box and presenting a list of selectable processes in the
dialog box.